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MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Re: Application of Takayuki KATO, Tomohiro TANIGUCHI, Makoto EGASHIRA, Yasuhiro SHIMIZU, Takeo HYODO and Kazutaka KAMITANI
METHOD OF PRODUCING HOLLOW ALUMINA PARTICLE
Assignee: **YAZAKI CORPORATION**
Our Ref. Q81163

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising sixteen (16) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and nine (9) sheets of drawings. **The requisite U.S. Government Filing Fee, copies of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>7</u>	-	20	=		x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>1</u>	-	3	=		x	\$86.00	=	<u>\$0.00</u>
Base Fee									<u>\$770.00</u>
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee									<u>\$290.00</u>
TOTAL FEE									<u>\$1060.00</u>

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	2003-113122	April 17, 2003
Japan	2003-336960	September 29, 2003
Japan	2004-015734	January 23, 2004

The priority documents will be filed at a later date.

Since the anniversary of the earliest priority date fell on Saturday, April 17, 2004, the filing of this application on Monday, April 19, 2004 is sufficient to obtain the benefit of priority of all the priority applications.

Respectfully submitted,
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